Subject: Re: [TRAV-NET] >BNP: EVICT GYPSIES<

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References: 1, 2, 3

I sent off an email on the basis of Grattan's first email, perhaps not

that wisely as I did not know the details. Anyway I have reproduced my

email and their reply below. Sarah Cemlyn

Dear Ms Cemlyn

This situation at Nazeing has been going on for a number of years and you are coming very late to the issue without any knowledge, it would seem, of the background, otherwise you would know that the social needs of the families and their human rights have been fully considered, not just by the Council, but by an independant inspector and by the High Court.

In any event, an eviction is not taking place. The Council has gradually persuaded a number of the families to move on over many months and tomorrow we are carrying out works to enable more families to leave voluntarily. The ones we are helping tomorrow should have left by mid February. They have had an

order of the High Court threatening arrest and commital if they did not leave, but the Council has acted generously and with understanding not referring the matter back for committal, but instead worked with the families to achieve a mutually satisfactory outcome. Tomorrows action is part of that programme and is by no means an eviction.

I trust this satisfies you that the Council is not acting unreasonably.

B. J. Land Asst. Head of Planning Services

Dear Epping Council

I am writing to protest most strongly at proposals to evict Gypsies

from their land at Paynes Lane, Lower Nazeing. I understand they

include a number of families including a young mother with triplets. An

eviction would be entirely contrary to the council's duty to take

social needs into account (Kerrier v. ex parte Uzzell 1995) and

contrary to human rights.

Sarah Cemlyn

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